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# THREE BRITISH WARSHIPS ARE SUNK BY SUBMARINES

## FRENCH AND BRITISH POUNDING AT CENTER OF GERMAN DEFENSE

Invaders, Unable to Gain Offensive, Are  
Beginning to Withdraw, According to  
French Military Experts—Re-Enforce-  
ments Fail to Turn Tide.

PARIS, Sept. 22.—The allied armies are today mak-  
ing a supreme effort to break through the lines of the Ger-  
man army commanded by General von Buelow.

The latter has weakened his lines by withdrawing a  
part of his main force to send to the relief of General von  
Kluck and the right wing.

The French are now attacking the fortified positions  
held by the Germans which control the railway between  
Bethel and Loen. They have gained slight advantages  
here and if they can drive their wedge through they will  
place both von Buelow and von Kluck at a material dis-  
advantage.

The official statement of the war office, issued at 3  
o'clock this afternoon from Bordeaux, and made public at  
General Gallien's headquarters, says the Germans were  
more active generally yesterday along certain parts of  
the battle line than at any time since the great battle of  
the Aisne began.

The activity was generally most in evidence, the re-  
port says, between Rheims and Souain and also against  
the heights of the Meuse in Woivre. It is stated, however,  
that at no point have the Germans penetrated the French  
lines, and that the situation continues favorable from the  
point of view of the allies.

The rest of the official announcement read as follows:  
"All along our whole front the Germans were active  
on Monday without obtaining any appreciable result. On  
our left wing the Germans have given ground before the  
allies on the right bank of the Oise river. Between the  
Oise and the Aisne the situation is practically unchanged  
since the latest report, the enemy apparently contenting  
himself with a long range bombardment.

### REPORTS REPULSE OF GERMANS.

At the center between Rheims and  
Souain the enemy attempted an offen-  
sive movement which has been re-  
pulsed. Between Souain and the region  
of the Argonne forest we have made  
some progress. But between the Ar-  
gonne and the Meuse there is no change.  
In the region of the Woivre the Ger-  
mans have been making a violent effort  
to break through the heights of the Meuse,  
but were unable to make any headway.

The chief objects of his attack were  
the lines along Heudicourt-Vigneulles-  
Tremuouze, where we are heavily en-  
trenched. His assaults were all hurled  
back with loss.

On September 20 and 21 we captured  
twenty revolving automobile, trains  
with their entire personnel. We have  
also taken many prisoners representing  
various portions of the German army  
and corps, the Bavarian Landwehr and  
the reserve corps. The presence of the  
landwehr and reserve indicates how  
hard pressed the enemy has been for  
reinforcements.

In Gallia the Russians have pur-  
sued the last stage of the Austro-  
Hungarian army inflicting very heavy losses. The  
Russian troops are in contact with the  
Austro-Hungarian forces of Przemyel and the  
heavy Russian artillery is bombarding  
the fortified positions along the San be-  
tween Jaroslaw and Przemyel.

## SARAJEVO CAPTURED, SAYS ROME REPORT

Bosnian Capital in Hands of  
Montenegrin-Servian Army,  
It Is Declared.

LONDON, Sept. 22.—The Rome cor-  
respondent of the Star wires that the  
combined Servian-Montenegrin armies  
have taken Sarajevo, capital of the  
Austrian province of Bosnia.

The Austrians, the correspondent  
says, have been overwhelmingly de-  
feated.

A cablegram to the British embassy  
in Washington today from Sir Edward  
Grey, secretary for foreign affairs,  
said that the Servian war office had  
reported the Montenegrin army had  
nine miles from the Bosnian capital  
on Friday.

## COSSACKS CUT AUSTRIAN LINE IN MOVEMENT UPON CRACOW

Petrograd Declares Main Army  
Prepares Attack on Strong  
Positions Between San and  
Wistock Rivers.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 22.—Cossacks  
have cut the lines of communication  
between Przemyel and Cracow, and the  
main Russian army is moving against  
Cracow and the chief Austrian posi-  
tions, according to today's war office  
statement.

The Austrians, with their German re-  
enforcements, are taking up new and  
strong positions between the San and  
the Wistock rivers, and the Russian  
left wing is moving against them.

It is considered certain that the real  
resistance on a large scale will be en-  
countered along the lines of the Cracow  
fortifications. There the Austrian re-  
serves have been massed and heavily re-  
inforced by the German Landwehr corps,  
which have been specially detailed for  
service in Austria.

The Russian forces are moving west-  
ward through Galicia, awaiting the ar-  
rival of at least a portion of the army  
of 90,000 that is proceeding through  
Poland to the front.

Surround Dank's Army.  
General Dank's army, which is re-  
treating toward Cracow, has been sur-  
rounded. The capture of the town of  
Dubielko, on the River San, by the Rus-  
sians, has cut Przemyel off from the  
western armies, so that it must now  
rely for defense upon the Austrian and  
German army corps which are there.

General Dank is believed to be in a  
difficult position. Driven out of South  
Poland and separated from the main  
body of the Austrian army, he has been  
compelled to make a race for Cracow,  
in which he was, according to Russian  
accounts, beaten by the Russian army  
coming southward from the Vistula to  
Baranow.

The Russians are now so sure of  
Galicia that they are organizing a civil  
government for that region, as well as  
for Bukowina, the Austrian crown land,  
of which they are complete masters.  
The Germans have retreated to some  
extent by penetrating the territory of  
Slovakia, in Russian Poland, and fur-  
ther to the north. But the Russians are  
contentious, with defense of their  
fortresses until their work in  
Galicia is completed.

It is stated at the war office today  
that at the request of the Austrian  
commander of Przemyel, an armistice  
of five hours was granted during which  
time all munition trains left the city. It  
is stated that the bombardment of the  
five main forts which furnish the chief  
defense was then resumed.

It is admitted that Austrians are put-  
ting up an excellent defense, and it  
will be a lengthy task to reduce the  
forts by bombardment, it being ad-  
mittedly impossible to take them by direct  
assault under present conditions.

## Cracow Ready to Meet Attack of Russian Army

CRACOW, Sept. 22.—(via Vienna and  
Rome). Cracow is in readiness for bat-  
tle. Most of the non-resident munition  
combinants have already left. All  
others have been ordered to start with-  
out delay.

The Polish, Hellenic, and Ruthenian  
portions of the population were the first  
to go. As a matter of military neces-  
sity, the governor has confiscated all  
supplies of food and such material as  
may be needed by the troops.

Everything is in readiness should the  
Russians be able to break down the  
main lines of the San river fortifications  
and entrenchments, which form the  
square extending from the south of  
Jaroslaw to Przemyel, to Pleszew and  
Dymow, and along the double line  
roughly extending from Jaslo to Cracow.

## GERMANS HOLDING VOSGES POSITION



GERMAN INFANTRY, SCREENED BEHIND A PATCH OF WOODS IN THE VOSGES MOUNTAIN RANGE, DEFENDING THEIR POSITION AGAINST THE FRENCH.

## VENGEFUL GERMANS RAZE TOWNS, SLAY 50, IS REPORT

OSTEND, Sept. 22.—It is stated here that the Germans, in  
revenge for an alleged attack on them by civilians, have destroyed  
the towns of Herve and Bettice, Belgium. The inhabitants, it is  
stated, resisted the demands of the Germans to pay a fine and furnish  
certain quantities of foodstuffs. In the fight that followed the Ger-  
mans lost heavily. When they finally conquered, they forced fifty  
of the male inhabitants to bury the German dead. Afterward they  
made them dig a pit and stood forty-eight of them on the edge. All  
were shot and tumbled into the pit, after which the two survivors were  
compelled to bury their companions and then were detained as  
prisoners.

## What War Moves Mean

By J. W. T. MASON.

NEW YORK, Sept. 22 (U. S. A.).—  
Re-disposition of the strength of the  
allies' battle line is suggested by the  
Berlin statement that an attack  
has been resumed against the French  
frontier fortifications south of Ver-  
dun. The Germans have not been  
re-inforced in that area, on the con-  
trary, the inference recently drawn  
in this column has been confirmed  
that the recent German retirement  
on Metz meant the dispatch of  
troops from Lorraine to re-inforce  
the battle front further west.

The French, apparently, had simi-  
larly weakened their Lorraine fron-  
tier corps to strengthen their line  
at other points. The Germans, in  
consequence, seem to have been able  
to take the initiative once more  
about Verdun.

The Verdun engagement, however,  
has little bearing on the immediate  
strategy of the great battle now  
raging.

The French fortress line should be  
able to hold its own against the  
weak attack necessarily imposed on  
the German Lorraine frontier offen-  
sive by the far more serious develop-  
ments to the west. This presumi-  
ably, is the reasoning which would  
lead General Joffre to reconstitute  
his battle line.

The two points of attack at which  
the allies have been aiming since  
the battle of the Aisne began are the  
center and the right wing, roughly  
divided by Rheims. To the east of  
Rheims the German center has been  
moved backward very slowly, but to  
the west the right wing has held  
steadily. It is probable, therefore,  
that if the French eastern frontier  
force has been lessened the men are  
being sent to re-inforce the allied

efforts west of Rheims.  
The subjugation of this line would  
mean the collapse of the German  
defense along the Aisne. To ac-  
complish this purpose the allies are  
concentrating their efforts at three  
points, along the hills north of  
Rheims, which dominate the rail-  
ways connection along the Oise  
which marks the extreme German  
right, and at Craonne, about half-  
way between Rheims and the Oise.

The present slackening of the fury  
of battle doubtless is due to the ac-  
cumulation of reinforcements by  
both sides, for besides French re-  
inforcements being moved to the  
west of Rheims, it is known the  
German right and center are  
being strengthened.

A resumption of the circling move-  
ment directed against Von Kluck,  
with further assaults at Craonne  
and Rheims by the allies, as part  
of the same strategic plan, should  
become evident as soon as the dis-  
position of the reinforcements has  
been made.

The Russian advance upon Cracow  
has again become obscured, and it is  
impossible to determine the battle  
line, which oscillates greatly as it  
is defined at Petrograd and Vienna. It  
seems probable, however, that the  
Russians are now well across the  
San river, having left a strong be-  
sieging force, probably of at least  
100,000, to envelop the fortified camp  
at Przemyel.

The rest of the Slav army is push-  
ing the Austrians across western  
Galicia. At what speed the Russian  
steam roller is approaching Cracow  
we don't know, but it appears as if  
Austrian resistance were becoming  
feeble as the Russian advance  
continues.

## WAR TAX BILL IS SENT TO HOUSE

Rules Committee to Frame Plan  
to Limit Debate to Hasten  
Passage.

The emergency "war tax" bill was  
ordered reported today by the Ways  
and Means Committee and will be  
called up in the House Thursday. The  
Rules Committee will meet tomorrow  
to frame a rule to rush the measure  
through the House and to limit debate,  
unless a gentleman's agreement is  
reached meanwhile between the Re-  
publicans and Democrats for an ex-  
pedient passage.

In reporting the bill from committee  
today, members lined up according to  
political affiliations, all Democrats vot-  
ing for the bill and all Republicans  
opposing it. The report and signifi-  
cantly their intention of filing a min-  
ority report.

The committee Democrats add one  
amendment to the Underwood measure  
today. In the section providing a 2  
cents a gallon tax on gasoline and nap-  
tha, the words "motor spirits" were  
added so that the section will em-  
brace all products used for motor  
power.

It is estimated the emergency bill will  
raise \$165,000,000 during the next twelve  
months, the committee report says.

"Should this bill become a law as  
proposed by the committee, we con-  
fidently estimate that the revenue that  
will be derived during the first twelve  
months this bill is in operation will  
amount to \$165,000,000, distributed as  
follows:

Formented liquors, \$2,500,000; wines,  
\$6,000,000; gasoline, \$20,000,000; special  
taxes, \$16,500,000; stamp taxes, \$30,000,000.  
Total, \$165,000,000.

"We are of the opinion that this addi-  
tional revenue will provide sufficient  
funds to meet governmental expendi-  
tures until the falling off of the revenue  
caused by the disturbed conditions of  
Europe have ceased and the normal  
revenues derived at the custom houses  
have re-established themselves, at  
which time the taxes provided for in  
this bill will no longer be necessary to  
take care of governmental expenditures  
and the law will be repealed.

"We feel certain that should the em-  
ergency revenue decrease more than \$165,000,000 during the next year because  
of the European war, that the increased  
collections under the income tax will be  
sufficient to make up any deficit  
that may occur."

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## FATE OF CREWS NOT REVEALED; NORTH SEA SCENE OF CONFLICT

Armored Cruisers Carried 700 Men Each  
and London Fears Majority of Sailors  
Went to Their Deaths in Maelstrom  
When German Torpedoes Sank Ships.

LONDON, Sept. 22.—The official press bureau an-  
nounces that the British armored cruisers Aboukir, Hogue,  
and Cressy have been sunk by submarines.

The first announcement made public simply stated  
that the cruisers had been sunk, but made no announce-  
ment regarding the fate of the crews or where the disaster  
took place other than that it was in the North Sea.

It is feared here that the majority of the 2,100 sailors  
on the three ships perished in the maelstroms about the  
sinking ships, when they were torpedoed by the Germans.

The three cruisers were of the same class. The  
Aboukir was built at Fairfield in 1898, the Cressy at the  
same place and the same time, and the Hogue at Barrow.  
They were 440 feet long, 69.5 beam, a draft of 29 feet  
and a displacement of 12,000 tons. They were 21 knot  
cruisers, armored with Harvey nickel steel six inches thick.  
Their armament was two 9.2 guns in turrets fore and aft;  
twelve 6-inch in casemates, twelve 3-inch, and two sub-  
merged torpedo tubes. They carried a complement of 700  
men each.

These cruisers cost approximately \$4,000,000 each.

## BERLIN CLAIMS A SERIES OF SUCCESSES IN FRANCE

By KARL H. VON WIEGAND.

BERLIN, Sept. 22 (via wireless through Sayville, L.  
I., to the United Press).—The official war office statement  
issued today reported an uninterrupted series of successes  
against the French. It said: "The attack of the German  
troops on the line of fortifications south of Verdun con-  
tinues uninterruptedly.

"Cote, in Lorraine, which was defended by the eighth  
French army corps, has been occupied, the Germans now  
holding this point.

"A sortie of the French troops from the northeast  
front of Verdun was repulsed.

"Fortresses like the heights of Craonne (Craonne)  
have been taken in battle. In the advance against Rheims,  
which is now afire, the village of Betheny has been taken."

## Australia Seizes Nauru, German Isle

LONDON, Sept. 22.—The Australian  
government has informed the home  
government that the Australian navy  
has captured the Island of Nauru, thus  
destroying the last German wireless  
station in the Pacific.

## President Goes Home to Vote in the Primaries

President Wilson left Washington at 8  
o'clock this morning for Princeton to  
cast his vote for Congressman Walsh  
in the Democratic primary. Secretary  
to the President Tumulty and Prof.  
Stockton Axson, brother of the late Mrs.  
Wilson, also went "home" on the Pres-  
ident's car to vote. The President will  
return tonight.

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